

### **Public Works Department**

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### **Bluff Cemetery Rules and Regulations**

The City of Springdale acquired the Bluff Cemetery in order to ensure the upkeep and beauty of the cemetery. It is operated and maintained by the Springdale Public Works Department.

#### How do I purchase a plot at the cemetery?

Call the Public Works office at (479) 750.8135 during regular business hours. Ask for our cemetery manager. The cemetery manager will assist you in locating and purchasing plots.

#### What are the hours of operation?

Visitors are allowed in the cemetery from Sunrise to Sunset.

#### Who mows and maintains the grave sites?

Burton Cemetery Services provide mowing and grounds keeping on a continual basis as required. Mowing and weed eating around the headstones and footstones is labor intensive and costly. Placement of unauthorized items on or near a gravesite slows down the maintenance process and increases the cost. Only Burton Cemetery Services are permitted to open and close graves.

## What happens to decorations and memorials placed in the cemetery in violation of the rules?

In order to maintain the cemetery at the optimum level of efficiency and within the annual budget constraints, decorations or memorials other than those allowed in the rules shown below **WILL BE REMOVED IMMEDIATELY** upon discovery by the mowing crew and shall not be retained or stored for later pick up by the owner(s).

#### Rules for visiting the cemetery.

No dogs or other animals, except guide dogs, shall be permitted in the cemetery.

No alcohol is allowed on the cemetery grounds

Walking for exercise is permitted during normal operating hours

# What are the regulations for leaving floral arrangements and other memorials?

- Funeral flowers, holders, containers, baskets and easels will be removed the fifth day after a funeral service.
- Glass containers, tin cans, and breakable plastic containers are not permitted at any time.
- No landscaping border of any kind shall be constructed around the perimeter of the plot. This includes benches or other items that interfere with Cemetery maintenance.
- No planting of live flowers, shrubs or trees will be permitted at any time.
- Live cut flowers in permanent vases attached to the headstone are permitted at any time.
- Artificial flowers appropriate for the season and in permanent vases attached to the headstone are permitted at any time.
- Special holiday arrangements placed on and around head stones as well as in permanent vases in the months of November and December will be left on the graves until February 28. They will then be removed and discarded.
- Memorial Day arrangements and wreathes that are not securely attached to head stones or in permanent vases will be removed after June 30, or as necessary, to allow for maintenance.
- Arrangements for other holidays not in keeping with these regulations will be removed at the time of the first mowing after the holiday.
- Any floral arrangements will be removed when they become discolored, wilted, seasonally inappropriate or unsightly in any manner.
- No person shall remove any plant or flower that is actively growing in the cemetery at any time.